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LONDON OFFICE: 131, FLEET STREET, E.C.**The Daily Press.**

HONGKONG, APRIL 17TH, 1909.

The brief announcement that after a long series of prosperity budgets the Government of India has been confronted with a Financial Statement which shows a net deficit for the past year of no less than £3,720,000 may have suggested to many readers, especially in the Far East, that this is due in large measure to the crusade against the opium trade; but the truth is that during the past year the Indian Government's opium revenue exceeded the estimate by over one million pounds sterling. This unexpected assistance to the Treasury took the form chiefly of advance payments for Malwa opium in order to ensure prompt shipment against the restriction of exports which the Government of India is now enforcing. This artificial inflation of the income cannot be repeated, and the estimate for the present year shows a decrease of £1,468,200. It has to be borne in mind that the decrease must be progressive if China's resolution to entirely stop the native cultivation of the drug is effectually carried out. Yet in the whole course of the debate on the Budget in the Calcutta Legislative Council no reference seems to have been made to the subject by any speaker, for the reason perhaps that the time for effective protest has gone by.

The deficit which the Budget Statement shows involves a sharp curtailment of expenditure not only on the part of the Government of India but on the part of the Local Governments as well, implying the discontinuance or postponement of many

useful public works which were undertaken when the stress of approaching poverty did not seem so evident to the Local Governments. Famine, sickness, trade depression and loss of railway revenue are mainly responsible for the diminished receipts. Hopes of better times were held out in the course of the debate. Though the agricultural outlook in India is not as bright as it might be, it was declared to be not discouraging, and with a single good season India might look forward to a rapid return to prosperity. One notable feature of the debate was the allusions made to the rise in prices in India, and a demand was made for an immediate and full inquiry into the abnormal prices now prevailing. Though the Financial Member was not in a position to make an announcement on this subject, he intimated that the manner and agency of an enquiry had for some time past been under the consideration of the Secretary of State. The Government evidently recognise the complexity of the question and the subtle danger inherent in high prices to which the Government are exposed in common with the whole community. In the words of Sir FLEETWOOD WILSON "the cheapness of India's produce and of her labour has been the main cause why she meets her obligations with ease. If prices should rise to a level which interferes seriously with the demand for her products in foreign markets, our export trade would decline and our capacity to pay our debts be diminished." While the Government does not deny the importance of the movement in prices, the many hardships which it entails and the dangers which attend it, Sir FLEETWOOD WILSON said they could not accept in silence the criticisms which laid the high prices at the door of the Government, or which pretended that the Government could alter the position by a stroke of the pen. They were prepared to ascertain the facts with the utmost care and to give their best consideration to any suggestions which are based on knowledge and accurate data. India, as we know, is not the only country confronted with this economic question. It is one with which all Eastern countries are more or less familiar, Japan especially, and we are not altogether unacquainted with it in Hongkong and the Treaty ports of China. It would certainly be interesting and instructive to have an authoritative opinion on the causes of the rise in prices in India, but it is not very obvious how a Government which is already postponing necessary public works to avoid additional taxation can well do more than this to stave off the danger they recognise to be inherent in a rise in the price of Indian products.

An Automobile Gymkhana was held on the Shanghai Race Course on the 16th inst.

The French Mail of the 16th March was delivered in London on the 15th instant.

The Bishop of Victoria will preach at St. Peter's Seamen's Church to-morrow at the evening services at 6.30.

A native who was arrested with a quantity of opium in his possession was fined \$250 by Mr. F. A. Hazeland at the Magistracy yesterday.

At the Magistracy yesterday Mr. F. A. Hazeland fined the master of a trading junk \$50, with the alternative of two months' imprisonment, for having a revolver and a quantity of dynamite in his possession without a permit.

Before Mr. J. H. Kemp at the Magistracy yesterday afternoon, a Chinese was prosecuted by Detective-Sergeant Watt on a charge of uttering a \$5 note on the Banque du Indo-China with intent to defraud. The evidence of a cashier was taken, and the further hearing of the case adjourned.

Dr. Wilder, the Consul-General of the United States at Hongkong took passage for Japan by the *Wakamatsu Maru*, which was to leave at daylight this morning. Dr. Wilder is making a short stay in Japan before proceeding to America. He goes on furlough with the best wishes of the whole community, for it can safely be said that the United States has never had in its service in the Far East a man who both as an official and as a private citizen has been so highly respected and esteemed as Dr. Wilder. Mr. Stuart Fuller, the Vice-Consul, will have charge of the Consulate during his Chief's absence.

INDIA AND ITS OPIUM REVENUE.
The Indian Budget shows that during the past year the increase in revenue from Opium amounted to £1,041,300, but in the Estimates for 1909-1910 a decrease of £1,468,200 is calculated due to reduction in Bengal sales and to accumulation of duty-paid Opium at Bombay. The price of Bengal Opium is taken at Rs. 1,350 per chest. The sales will be 42,300 chests. It is also surmised that 8,700 chests of Malwa opium will pass duty during 1909-1910 mainly in preparation for the shipment of 1911.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.
The C.N. Co.'s steamer *Chinqua* left Shanghai on the 15th instant, and may be expected here on the 18th instant.

TELEGRAMS.

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[REUTERS'S SERVICE TO THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS"]

AFFAIRS IN TURKEY.

LONDON, April 16th.

"Normal conditions" have been resumed at Constantinople.

The troops have returned to barracks but the effects of this symptomatic outbreak will be long felt.

A MASSACRE OF ARMENIANS.

LONDON, April 16th.

Consular reports from Messina state that there has been a massacre of Armenians owing to the murder of the Moslems.

The Christian communities are appealing for help.

KING EDWARD.

LONDON, April 16th.

King Edward has left Biarritz for Paris whence he proceeds on Saturday to Genoa for a cruise in the Mediterranean.

A NOTABLE WEDDING.

LONDON, April 16th.

Lord Dalmeny (son of the Earl of Rosebery) was married to-day to Miss Dorothy Grosvenor at St. Paul's Church, Knightsbridge.

The presents formed a priceless collection and included gifts from Their Majesties the King and Queen, and Their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princess of Wales.

THE TURKISH REVOLT.

A NAVAL COMMANDER LYNCHED.

LONDON, April 16th.

Though Constantinople was generally quiet yesterday the Marines made a demonstration objecting to the new Minister of Marine.

They also arrested and conveyed to Yildiz and eventually lynched there the commander of the cruiser who ordered the guns to be trained on the Palace on Tuesday, with a view to supporting the Committee of Progress.

AMERICAN MARKETS.

MR. PATTEN'S SPECULATIONS.

LONDON, April 16th.

The Chicago wheat market has slumped heavily.

Mr. Patten bought frantically for the purpose of checking the cotton market.

New York is wildly excited on account of the rumours of the buying by Mr. Patten of immense quantities of tea, and the withdrawing of them from bond through fear of an increase of duty.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE CHINESE BURIAL GROUNDS.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS"]

SIR,—Your correspondent "Omega" doubtless scored a point when he quoted from Confucius to show that it was against the teaching of the sage for the Chinese to desire to beautify their burial places. The point may have been good against Mr. Liu Chin Pak as a disciple of the great teacher, but your correspondent overlooks the fact that most Chinese have no distinctive religion. They have absorbed the teachings of Buddha, of Confucius, of the Taoists, with the result that they have no particular creed. They merely follow certain customs, certain observances, and do not regard themselves as religiousists. Were it otherwise the Government might be asked to provide cemeteries for the Buddhists, for the followers of Confucius, and for the Taoists.

The question of proper cemeteries for the Chinese has not been approached courageously at all. The authorities for some reason or other seem to be afraid of it. When the better class Chinese recently sought a burial place for their dead, for which they were willing to pay a reasonable price, they learned that the Government did not approve of the site suggested at Pokfulam, but no reasons were given. Surely the better class Chinese, whom the Government wish to settle here, have some claims for consideration in this respect.—Yours, etc.,

ALPHA.

SUPREME COURT.

Friday, April 16th.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

TAILOR'S BILL DISPUTED.

Lottie Kingsbury was summoned by Yau Lee, a Chinese tailor, for \$1.75, the charge for making a dress.

Defendant alleged that the jacket was a misfit and she declined to pay for it. She said also that the jacket was not made of the material which she supplied. When she told plaintiff that she would not pay for it he told her that she was rich enough to pay him. She had money but she was not going to give it away.

His Lordship asked plaintiff what he had to say. The defendant said the dress was not comfortable and would not fit. Was he willing to make a reduction?

Plaintiff—Will your Lordship ask her to put on the clothes and you will see. The dress is worn out.

His Lordship (to defendant). You have not worn it at all?

Defendant—No. If he will give me a new front and another collar it will do.

His Lordship (to plaintiff). Did you see her wear it?

Plaintiff—Yes, and my foki saw her wear it. When she was at the Magistracy she put it on.

His Lordship—Did you put it on?

Defendant—I took it up to show it to the Magistrate.

His Lordship—Did you wear it?

Defendant—No, I had on a white dress that day.

His Lordship said he was not satisfied that the dress was a perfect fit and he gave judgment for the tailor for the amount claimed, but without costs.

A FALLING BRICK.

C. Sequeira claimed from Lam Woo, contractor, \$1,000 as damages for injuries sustained through the neglect of defendant's servants.

Mr. Goldring, who appeared for the plaintiff, said this was a case in which a man was hit on the head by a brick which fell from the top scaffolding at Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Company's new building.

The case was adjourned for a week to allow of pleadings to be prepared.

A LIQUIDATED CLUB.

E. A. M. Williams, liquidator of the St. George's Club, sued D. McCallum, formerly a member, for \$25. Defendant did not appear.

Plaintiff stated that according to the memorandum of the articles of association if the club went into liquidation the members were to contribute \$25 towards the assets. Defendant had not paid.

Mr. Goldring informed his Lordship that it was a company limited by guarantee.

His Lordship—He was a member after you had undertaken the liquidation?

Plaintiff—Yes, my Lord.

Mr. Goldring then went into the witness box and stated that the defendant recently called at his office and asked if he was obliged to pay.

Witness advised him that he was. Defendant handed him the writ and said he would pay at the end of the month. He would not trouble to come to court.

Judgment was entered for plaintiff with costs.

MARINE MAGISTRATE'S COURT.

Friday, April 16th.

BEFORE COMMANDER BASIL R. H. TAYLOR, R.N. (MARINE MAGISTRATE).

UNLAWFULLY MAKING FAST.

J. Gohanta, chief officer of the steamer *Selecia*, proceeded against the master of a licensed passenger boat for making fast to the steamer while under way.

After hearing the evidence his Worship found the defendant guilty and imposed a fine of \$50, the alternative being two months' imprisonment with hard labour.

ON BOARD WITHOUT PERMISSION.

The same defendant was then tried for being on board the steamer without the permission of this master or other officer in charge.

Defendant said he went on board because he saw other people going on board.

His Worship fine the defendant \$50, or two months' hard labour.

Lance Sergeant Edwards prosecuted another native for being on board the same steamer without permission.

Defendant said he was told to go aboard by the No. 1 coolie. He always did what he was told by any coolie who came along.

The hearing of the case was adjourned.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—

On the 16th at 11.55 a.m.—The depression noted yesterday is moving into the Pacific to the North of Hokkaido, and pressure has increased rapidly over S. Japan.

The barometer has risen moderately in S. China, but has fallen again over N. China. A new depression is probably developing over the Upper Yangtze.

LOCAL SPORT.**YACHTING.**

The Corinthian Yacht Club close their season with a cruise on Sunday to Junk Bay where an interesting programme of races will be gone through. The events are:—

WARREN MEMORIAL CHALLENGE CUP—One Design Class. Starting gun 10.00 a.m.

1. ELILIOS CHALLENGE CUP—Hayward-Hays One Design Class. 10.05 a.m.

LADIES' RACE—Handicap Class. 12.30 p.m.

MOTOR-BOAT RACE—1.0' p.m.

LADIES' RACE—One Design Class. 2.00 p.m.

LADIES' NOMINATION SWIMMING RACE—2.15 p.m.

HAYWARD-HAYS ONE DESIGN CLASS RACE—Open 2.30 p.m.

HANDICAP CLASS RACE—Open 2.45 p.m.

MOTOR-BOAT RACE—3.00 p.m.

HANDICAP SWIMMING RACE—Open 3.30 p.m.

ONE DESIGN CLASS RACE—Open 3.45 p.m.

LADIES' RACE—Hayward-Hays. One Design. 4.00 p.m.

A Launch for Members and friends will leave Blake Pier at 11 a.m. The officials are:—

Judges—Messrs. Hazeland, Hand and Davison.

Clerks of Course—Messrs. Barn, Dove and Lammer.

Motor Boat Handicappers—Messrs. Crake, Bura and Hexton.

Starters—Messrs. Wood, Cooke and McIvor.

Time Keepers—Messrs. Meek and Shepherd.

Stewards—Messrs. McCordale, Saunders, Coombes, C. C. Hill, Glendinning, Spittles and Mackay.

The Winners for the Season 1908-9 are:—

ONE DESIGN CLASS.

Club Championship—1st. Joan; 2nd. Asthore; 3rd. Dorothy.

Commodore's Cup—Asthore.

Vice-Commodore's Cup—Dorothy.

Thecla Cup, presented by W. A. Crake—Gael.

Joan Cup, presented by H. A. Lammer, Esq.—The Western Memorial Challenge Cup.

HANDICAP CLASS.

Club Races—1st. Carree; 2nd. Corrinnee; 3rd. Dalhouise.

HONGKONG FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

The last match of the present season in connection with the Hongkong Football League takes place on Wednesday next at the Happy Valley when the Buffs play the Royal Engineers.

At the close of the game the *Hongkong Daily Press* Cup will be presented to the Buffs who will hold the trophy for a year. The presentation will be made by Mr. B. A. Hale, managing editor of the *Daily Press*. The match is timed to begin at 5 p.m.

HONGKONG CRICKET LEAGUE TABLE.

The following is the League table up to date:—

Club	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	Points	Per cent
H.K. "B"	16	15	1	0	14	87.50
Civil Service	16	11	3	2	8	57.14
Telegraphs	16	9	5	2	4	25.57
Hongkong "A"	16	5	5	6	2	15.66
Craigengower	16	5	5	6	1	0.90
R. G. Artillery	12	4	7	1	3	27.27
Hongkong Police	15	2	10	3	8	66.66
Kowloon	14	2	10	2	8	66.66
Royal Engineers	13	1	9	3	3	30.0

N.B.—A win counts 1 point.
A loss "0"
A draw "0"

HONGKONG GYMKHANA CLUB.

The Programme of the first meeting to be held at the Happy Valley on Saturday next, the 24th inst. (weather permitting) is as follows:—

ONE MILE FLAT RACE—For Subscription Griffls of Season 1908-09. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners of one race at 1909 Meeting 5 lbs. extra; two or more races 10 lbs. Extra. Non-winning placed ponies allowed 2 lbs. Unplaced runners allowed 5 lbs. Jockeys who have not won more than two official races in Hongkong, Shanghai or Tientsin allowed 5 lbs. A Cup called the Gymkhana Cup will be presented at the end of the Season to be won by the Pony scoring most marks in the races for the Gymkhana Stakes at the Gymkhana Meetings during the season, counting 4 points for a first; 2 for a second; and 1 for a third. The best of marks already scored to pass with the Pony on a sale. Any winner of the race to carry 5 lbs. extra for each win in subsequent starts for the Race, but in the event of a pony carrying the penalty not winning 2 lbs. to be deducted next time he starts. Such 2 lbs. to remain deducted until he wins again when he will carry the full Penalties without deduction. Penalties accumulative up to 15 lbs. Entrance fee 5. 2nd Prize: \$25. (Half entrance fees to go to winner.)

TENT PEGGING IN SECTIONS OF THREE.—Open to teams, mounted on China Ponies, and composed of three men, representing any recognized unit or club in the Colony. Three small cups to be presented to the winning team at each competition and at the conclusion of the season a Trophy will be given to the team which scores the highest aggregate of points at all meetings included. In competing for the small cups a competitor need not necessarily represent the same unit or club on every occasion, but if competing for the aggregate trophy he can only represent one unit or one club during the season, that is to say he must continue to compete for the unit or club first selected by him and for no other. To provide for sickness, absence from the Colony, or for improvement of a team, new

members may from time to time be introduced into a team, but in order to win the aggregate Trophy two at least of the Members composing the winning team must have competed in not less than three competitions.

Points will be awarded as follows:—
3 for each carry, say per team... 9 points
or 2 for a carry under 20 yards,
or 1 for a touch,..... 3
3 for speed..... 5
3 for style..... 15

NOTE.—Style means the proper and workmanlike handling of spears and the synchronous working of a team. Points will be deducted from a team should the Judge observe any member carrying his spear in a dangerous and unsportsmanlike manner. The Judges will deduct points if in their opinion a team be moving at too slow a pace.

THREE QUARTERS OF A MILE FLAT RACE.—Subscription Griffls of any Season which have never won an official race. Weight for inches as per scale. Unplaced runners allowed 3 lbs. To be ridden by Jockeys who have not won more than two official races in Hongkong, Shanghai or Tientsin. Entrance fee \$5. First Prize: Presented. 2nd Prize: \$25.00. (Entrance fees to go to winner.)

WELTER RACE, HALF A MILE.—For all China Pony Hacks or Polo Ponies. Catch Weights 13 stone. Open to Members of Jockey and Polo Clubs, also Members of both Services. Entrance fee \$5. First Prize: Presented. 2nd Prize: \$25.00. (Entrance fees to go to winner.)

ONE AND A QUARTER MILE FLAT RACE, HANDICAP.—For all China Ponies. Entrance fee \$5. First Prize: Presented. 2nd Prize: \$25. (Entrance fees to go to winner.)

SUPPLYING AN INEBRIATE WITH DRINK.

Before Mr. F. A. Hazeland at the Magistracy yesterday Inspector Marison proceeded against Louis Comar, licensee of the Cosmopolitan Hotel, for selling intoxicating liquor to a person under the influence of liquor.

Constable Patterson deposed that at 8.25 p.m. on the 12th instant he entered the Cosmopolitan Hotel, accompanied by another constable. Witness saw the defendant's wife supply a seaman named Clero, who was under the influence of drink, with a glass of beer.

His Worship—What induced you to say he was under the influence of liquor?

Witness—Before he entered the Cosmopolitan, I saw the man staggering in the street.

His Worship—Was it possible for anybody to see that the man was under the influence of liquor?

Witness—Yes, he could not stand straight. He was leaning against the counter.

By Mr. Comar—Did the man make any disturbance?

Witness—None at all.

Inspector Marison stated that on the 12th instant at about 9 p.m., the last witness brought a seaman to the Central Police Station who smelt strongly of liquor and staggered in the charge room. The person who supplied liquor to the man must have known that he was under the influence of liquor. There could be no doubt about it.

Constable Patterson recalled, said that two lots of liquor had been supplied to the seaman.

Sergeant Gerrard testified to seeing Clero brought into the charge room at the Central Station on the night of the 12th instant. The man was under the influence of liquor, but did not seem to be very drunk. It was impossible to say that he was not drunk. Witness saw him later in Pottinger Street holding on to an electric standard. That was after he left the charge room accompanied by two friends who were to see him home.

Constable Atwell spoke to accompanying P.C. Patterson to the Cosmopolitan Hotel on the night in question, and to seeing defendant's wife supplying a man with drink who was under the influence of liquor.

This closed the case for the prosecution.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

HONGKONG GYMKHANA CLUB.

THE NEXT MEETING of the Season will be held at the HAPPY VALLEY, on SATURDAY, the 24th inst., commencing at 3.30 p.m.

The Charge of Admission will be 1/6 for others than Members of the Hongkong Jockey Club or GYMKHANA CLUB.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform Half Price.

The Committee invite the Ladies of Hongkong to be present.

C. GORDON MACKIE,
Hon. Secretary and Treasurer.
Hongkong, 17th April, 1909. [625]

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For further particulars apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 17th April, 1909. [627]

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

IN THE MATTER of the COMPANIES ORDINANCE, 1865,

AND

IN THE MATTER of LANGFELDT & COMPANY, LIMITED, AND REDUCED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Petition presented to the Supreme Court of Hongkong, on the 26th day of January, 1909, for confirming a resolution reducing the Capital of the above Company from Yen 150,000 to Yen 100,000 is directed to be heard before His Honour Sir FRANCIS EGERTON, Knight, Chief Justice, on MONDAY, the 25th day of April, 1909, at 10.30 o'clock in the Forenoon.

Dated the 17th day of April, 1909.
DEACON, LOOKER & DEACON,
Solicitors for the Company.
Victoria, Hongkong. [627]

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Goods not cleared by the 23rd inst., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

All damaged packages must be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 23rd inst., at 11 A.M.

No claims will be recognized if not presented within 14 days of the arrival.

MCGREGOR BROS. & GOW.
Hongkong, 16th April, 1909. [622]

THE HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS & CHINA OVERLAND TRADE REPORT

is now ready and contains—

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Hongkong, 17th April, 1909.

NEW ADVERTISEMENT

SPECIAL NOTICE.

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For full information, apply to

MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

Agents at Hongkong.

Hongkong, 17th April, 1909. [626]

FIRE INSURANCE COMPANIES

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-SIXTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at its Head Office No. 2, Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 21st April, 1909, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with the Statement of Account to 31st December, 1908, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from 11th April, to the 21st April, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board, C. MONTAGUE EDE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 25th March, 1909. [517]

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Society will be held at its Head Office, No. 2, Queen's Buildings, Victoria, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 21st April, 1909, at 12.15 p.m., for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following Special Resolution:—

"That the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Society be respectively extended, altered and amended so as to read as shown in the print signed for the purpose of identification by the Chairman of this Meeting and the said extended, altered and amended Memorandum and Articles of Association be henceforth adopted as the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Society to the exclusion of those heretofore prevailing."

Should the above Special Resolution be duly passed, it will be subsequently submitted for confirmation to a further Extraordinary General Meeting, of which Notice will be hereafter given.

Prints of the proposed Memorandum and Articles of Association can be seen at the Company's Offices or obtained on application there.

By Order of the Board of Directors, C. MONTAGUE EDE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 31st March, 1909. [544]

THE CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-THIRD ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Head Office, No. 2, Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 21st April, 1909, at 12.30 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with the Statement of Account to the 31st December, 1908, and of declaring Dividends.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 7th April, to the 21st April, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, C. MONTAGUE EDE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 27th March, 1909. [526]

THE CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, No. 2, Queen's Buildings, Victoria, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 21st April, 1909, at 12.45 p.m., for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following Special Resolution:—

"That the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company be respectively extended, altered and amended so as to read as shown in the print signed for the purpose of identification by the Chairman of this Meeting and that such extended, altered and amended Memorandum and Articles of Association be henceforth adopted as the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company to the exclusion of those heretofore prevailing."

Should the above Special Resolution be duly passed, it will be subsequently submitted for confirmation to a further Extraordinary General Meeting, of which Notice will be hereafter given.

Prints of the proposed Memorandum and Articles of Association can be seen at the Company's Offices or obtained on application there.

By Order of the Board of Directors, C. MONTAGUE EDE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 31st March, 1909. [545]

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTIETH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Company's Offices, St. George's Building, on SATURDAY, the 24th April, 1909, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts to 28th February, 1909, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 10th to the 24th April, 1909, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 7th April, 1909. [587]

INTIMATIONS

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE HALF-YEARLY MEETING of the above Club will be held TO-DAY (SATURDAY), the 17th April, 1909, at 12.30 p.m., at the Offices of the Jockey Club on the ground floor of the Hongkong Club Annex, Chater Road.

By Order, T. F. HOUGH, Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, 3rd April, 1909. [570]

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPT.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that information has been received from the Military Authorities that GUN PRACTICE will be carried out in the vicinity of BEACON HILL on the 16th and 17th inst., between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. daily.

F. H. MAY, Colonial Secretary.
Hongkong, 14th April, 1909. [613]

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Members of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce will be on FRIDAY, the 23rd April, 1909, at 4 p.m., in the CITY HALL for the following purposes:—

1. To receive the Report and Accounts of the Committee for the year ending 31st December, 1908.
2. To elect a New Committee.
3. To transact any General Business.

By Order, E. A. M. WILLIAMS, Secretary.
Hongkong, 15th April, 1909. [614]

HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD.

NOTICE.

MR. T. I. ROSE having Resigned the position of Secretary, Mr. G. A. CALDWELL has been Appointed Acting Secretary from this Date.

By Order of the Board of Directors, H. P. WHITE, Acting Chairman.
Hongkong, 10th April, 1909. [599]

IN THE ESTATE OF THE LATE THOMAS BROCKETT, FOOCHOW, China, Storekeeper.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having Claims against the above Estate are required to send particulars of same to the undersigned before the 15th Day of May, 1909. And all persons indebted to the said Estate are required to make immediate payment to me.

F. W. M. SHAW, Attorney for the Executor.
Foochow, 16th March, 1909. [502]

WANTED.

A GERMAN GENTLEMAN, residing at 2, in CANE ROAD, Advanced Lessons and in 9 to 10 o'clock every evening. Apply stating terms to—X.W., Care of "Daily Press" Office.
Hongkong, 6th April, 1909. [578]

WANTED.

A TU Purchase a BILLIARD TABLE (Full Size in Good Condition) and all Accessories. State full particulars to—SOJOURNER, Care of "Daily Press" Office.
Hongkong, 15th April, 1909. [615]

REMOVAL.

PO CHEUNG, the Best and Oldest Established Gold and Silver Smith, Watchmaker, Jeweller and Engraver, will REMOVE his Store from No. 24, Haiphong (Old Elgin) Road, Kowloon, to No. 56, of the same Street, on 12th April. Patrons are courteously invited to call and inspect the Stock in the New Premises.

PO CHEUNG.
Kowloon, 6th April, 1909. [579]

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TO LET.

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Apply to—S. J. DAVID & Co., Prince's Buildings.
Hongkong, 25th March, 1909. [518]

TO LET.

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Hongkong, 19th March, 1909. [489]

TO LET.

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13, ALBANY ROAD, HONGKONG. (Facing Public Gardens) From 1st May 1909.

at present occupied by Madame Marty. Apply—M. STEPHENS, Solicitor, 18, Bank Buildings.
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TO LET.

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GODOWN, No. 5A, DUDDELL STREET.

Apply to—THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.
Hongkong, 1st April, 1909. [98]

TO LET

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UNFURNISHED—Nos. 8 and 10, WINDHAM STREET, containing 6 Large Rooms each. Can be let together or separately. Apply to—Messrs. PERCY SMITH & SETH, No. 5, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 23rd February, 1909. [213]

TO LET.

FOUR and FIVE ROOMED HOUSES at Kowloon. NEW and COMMODIOUS SHOPS, Nathan Road, Kowloon. Immediate Possession. Cheap Rentals.

OFFICES on the 1st Floor Hotel Mansions lately occupied by the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.

Apply to—HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.
Hongkong, 24th March, 1909. [547]

TO LET—FURNISHED.

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Hongkong, 2nd March, 1909. [110]

TO LET.

A HOUSE in WONG NEI CHONG ROAD. A HOUSE in RYAN TERRACE, No. 3, CLIFTON GARDENS, Conduit Road.

No. 10, DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL, 1st floor. OFFICES in YORK BUILDING.

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Hongkong, 1st April, 1909. [97]

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ROOMS suitable for Offices in No. 10, Ice House Street, in rear of David Sassoon & Co.'s premises.

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Hongkong, 1st April, 1909. [553]

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NOS. 2 & 3, BEACONSFIELD ARCADE, facing the Parade Ground.

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Hongkong, 9th April, 1909. [100]

TO LET.

GODOWNS, Nos. 95, 96 and 97, PRATA EAST. Apply—CHATER & MODY, Victoria Buildings.
Hongkong, 1st February, 1909. [264]

TO LET.

NO. 6, OBSERVATORY VILLAS, Kowloon. Five-Roomed House; Electric Lights and Tennis Court.

"BRANEE BUNGALOW," Kowloon. A Small Garden attached. Moderate Rental. Apply to—ARRATON V. APCAR & Co., 45, Wyndham Street.
Hongkong, 3rd March, 1909. [399]

TO LET.

AT THE PEAK, HOUSE in STEWART TERRACE; Furnished or Unfurnished. Apply—H. E. POLLOCK, 18, Bank Building.
Hongkong, 20th March, 1909. [494]

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KOWLOON MARINE LOT 48, Yaumatei. Area 85,200 square feet and with 255 feet Sea Frontage. Especially suited for Storage of Coal, Timber, &c.

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Hongkong, 18th January, 1908. [103]

TO LET.

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Apply to—LEUTNER, BROCKELMANN & Co., Hongkong, 15th March, 1909. [522]

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FOR COAL, TIMBER, &c.

TO BE LET, a Portion of MARINE LOT No. 235 at NORTH POINT. Suitable for above Purpose. EXTENSIVE WATER FRONT. DEEP WATER.

Also FOR SALE. Portions of MARINE LOTS Nos. 31 & 36 on PRATA EAST. Approximate AREA 43,000 SQUARE FT. 999 YEARS' LEASE. For Particulars apply to—GEO. FENWICK & Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 8th June, 1906. [96]

ENTERTAINMENT

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.
DEVANHA, British str., 4,000, Wm. Hayward, R.M.S., 16th April—Shanghai 15th April, General—P. & O. S. N. Co.
EMPEROR OF CHINA, British str., 3,046, R. Archibald, R.M.S., 16th April—Yamou, B.C. 25th March, Mails and General—C. P. R. Co.
GLENLOCH, British str., 2,997, E. J. Stallard, 16th April—London and Singapore 10th April, General—McGregor Bros. & Co.
HAIKUN, British str., 636, T. W. Evans, 16th April—Swatow 15th April, General—Douglas, Lapraik & Co.
NIPPON MARU, Japanese str., 3,452, W. E. Palmer, 16th April—San Francisco 19th March, General—Toyo Kisen Kaisha.
SAMSEN, German str., 993, Pederson, 16th April—Bangkok 9th April, Rice—Butterfield & Swire.
TEAN, British str., 1,346, Outerbridge, 17th April—Manila 15th April, General—Butterfield & Swire.
WAKAMATSU MARU, Jap. str., 1,722, S. Kawas, 16th April—Wakamatsu 10th April, Coal—Mitsui Bishi Goshi Kaisha.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.
16th April.
DEVANHA, British str., for Naganaki.
Locks, German str., for Bangkok.
Rubi, British str., for Manila.
Silecia, German str., for Shanghai.
Standard, Norwegian str., for Saigon.
Wakasa Maru, Jap. str., for Kobe.

DEPARTURES.

16th April.
HAIKUN, British str., for Swatow.
HANYANG, British str., for Chinkiang.
HINSANO, British str., for Hongkong.
KUPICHOW, British str., for Canton.
KUSANO MARU, Japanese str., for Sydney.
LINAN, British str., for Shanghai.
L. SCHEIFF, British str., for Chinkiang.
MANDARIN MARU, Jap. str., for Kutchinotzu.
NANCHANG, British str., for Canton.
SZECHUEN, British str., for Shanghai.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British str. Tean reports: Light airs, smooth sea and fine clear weather throughout the voyage.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

16th April.
ABERDEEN DOCK.—Tarlac, Chosofa, Empress of China.
COSMOPOLITAN DOCK.—Tjilicong.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH



AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Company's Steamship

"CHINA."

Captain Berggalian, will leave for the above places TO-DAY, the 17th inst., at 3 P.M. This steamer has splendid accommodation for passengers, electric light, carries a doctor and stewardess.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SANDER, WIELER & Co., Agents, Princes' Building.

Hongkong, 14th April, 1909. [3]

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship

"CATHERINE APCAR."

Captain G. F. Hudson, will be despatched for the above ports on TUESDAY, the 20th inst., at Noon, instead of as previously advertised.

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Hongkong, 17th April, 1909. [603]

FOR MARSEILLES, LONDON AND ANTWERP.

Taking cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Ports in the United Kingdom and the Continent.

THE Steamship

"GLAMORGANSHIRE."

will be despatched as above on or about the 20th April.

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Hongkong, 3rd April, 1909. [418]

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE

(WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT MALABAR COAST).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

FOR BOSTON AND NEW YORK.

S.S. "DACRE CASTLE" About 20th Apr.

FOR NEW YORK.

S.S. "SATSUMA" About 20th May.

For Freight and further information, apply to DODWELL & Co., Ltd., Agents.

Hongkong, 9th April, 1909. [1712]

HONGKONG—BOSTON & NEW YORK.



AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

FOR BOSTON AND NEW YORK VIA

PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL.

(With Liberty to call at the Malabar Coast.)

S.S. "INDRAMAYO" On 30th April.

For Freight and further information apply to SHEWAN TOMES & Co., General Agents.

Hongkong, 12th April, 1909. [496]

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING

To ascertain the anchorage of any vessel, the Harbour has been divided into four Sections commencing from Green Island. Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked "k." nearest Hongkong "h." midway between Hongkong and Kowloon "m." and those vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf "k.w." together with the number denoting the section.

1 From Green Island to the Harbour Master's 2 From Harbour Master's to Black Pier 3 From Black Pier to Naval Yard 4 From Naval Yard to East Point.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAMES	FLAG & REG.	BERTH	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON & C. VIA USUAL PORTS OF CALL...	DEVANHA	Brit. str.	—	W. Hayward, R.M.S.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-day, at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE &...	LIBERTY	Brit. str.	—	G. W. Cookman, R.M.S.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 21st inst.
ANTWERP & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS &...	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Hildebrandt	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	About Middle of May.
ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG &...	MONMOUTHSHIRE	Brit. str.	k.w.	J. H. Warner, R.M.S.	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	About 8th May.
SOUTHAMPTON, LONDON & ANTWERP &...	NICOMEDIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Müller	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 28th inst.
ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS &...	AMERICA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Deinert	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 28th inst.
HAYRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG &...	SILEZIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	v. Hoff	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 18th May.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP &...	GRAMORGANSHIRE	Brit. str.	—	Girard	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	About 20th inst.
MARSEILLES, HAYRE, COPENHAGEN, &...	ERNEST SIMONS	Brit. str.	—	J. Nagao	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 23rd inst.
MARSEILLES, & C. VIA PORTS OF CALL...	KANAGAWA MARU	Ger. str.	k.w.	Schwinghammer	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 27th inst., at 1 P.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE &...	ENIGATA	Ger. str.	—	T. Mural	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 28th inst., at D'light
MARSEILLES, HAYRE & HAMBURG &...	HAKATA MARU	Jap. str.	—	W. Bainbridge	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 3rd May.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE &...	MIYASAKI MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	About 5th May.
GENOA, MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP &...	HONGKONG MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	SANDER, WIELER & Co.	On 1st June.
CALLAO, IQUIQUE, & C. VIA JAPAN PORTS &...	AUSTRIA	Aus. str.	—	Colob	MELCHERS & Co.	On 21st inst., at Noon.
NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERES, GIBRALTAR &...	GOEBEN	Ger. str.	—	B. Wilhelm	DODWELL & Co., Ltd.	About 20th inst.
NEW YORK	SATSUMA	Brit. str.	—	—	SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.	On 30th inst.
BOSTON & NEW YORK	DACRE CASTLE	Brit. str.	—	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. Co.	On 2nd May, at 6 A.M.
BOSTON & NEW YORK VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	INDRAMAYO	Am. str.	3 m.	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. Co.	On 11th May, at Noon.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI JAPAN, &...	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Ger. str.	1 m.	—	DODWELL & Co., Ltd.	About 24th inst.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI JAPAN, &...	MONMOUTHSHIRE	Brit. str.	—	T. Shotton	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 27th inst., at Noon.
VICTORIA, B.C. & TACOMA VIA JAPAN, &...	AKI MARU	Jap. str.	—	Freder. Pyne	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.	On 11th May, at Noon.
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE VIA SHANGHAI &...	CEYLON MARU	Jap. str.	—	McArthur	MELCHERS & Co.	On 22nd inst., at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	D. Lens	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 14th May, at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	YAWATA MARU	Jap. str.	—	T. Sekine	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 14th May, at 4 P.M.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	TAIWAN MARU	Jap. str.	1 m.	L. Dawson	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-day.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	YAWATA MARU	Jap. str.	—	N. Nielsen	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 22nd inst., P.M.
YOKOHAMA	HIBARU MARU	Jap. str.	—	H. Fraxer	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 12th May, at Noon.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	NIKKO MARU	Jap. str.	—	M. Yagi	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	Quick despatch.
JAPAN	CHIPPON	Brit. str.	1 m.	E. Forsyth	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at 4 P.M.
TIEN TSIEN	CHIPPON	Brit. str.	1 m.	W. Mooney	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 21st inst., at Noon.
TIEN TSIEN VIA SWATOW, TINGTAU, WEIHAIWEI &...	CHIPPON	Brit. str.	1 m.	Konale	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 20th inst., at 4 P.M.
CHIPPON & NEWCHANG	CANTON	Dan. str.	—	Berggalian	MELCHERS & Co.	To-day, P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	CHINA	Aus. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow, at Daylight
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	CHINA	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 19th inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	CHINA	Brit. str.	1 m.	H. A. Wall	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 20th inst., at 8 A.M.
SHANGHAI	CHINA	Brit. str.	1 m.	T. Sato	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 20th inst., at Noon.
SHANGHAI	CHINA	Brit. str.	1 m.	Sandbach	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	To-morrow, at Daylight
SHANGHAI	CHINA	Brit. str.	1 m.	M. E. Lake	MELCHERS & Co.	About 21st inst.
SHANGHAI	CHINA	Brit. str.	1 m.	G. Meiners	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 22nd inst., at Noon.
SHANGHAI	CHINA	Brit. str.	1 m.	A. E. Sandbach	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 22nd inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	CHINA	Brit. str.	1 m.	R. A. Peters	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 25th inst.
SHANGHAI	CHINA	Brit. str.	1 m.	X.	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 28th inst., at D'light
SHANGHAI	CHINA	Brit. str.	1 m.	V. Dohren	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 27th inst.
SHANGHAI	CHINA	Brit. str.	1 m.	Williams	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 29th inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	CHINA	Brit. str.	1 m.	Eckhorn	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 10th May.
SHANGHAI	CHINA	Brit. str.	1 m.	de Ebover	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	Quick despatch.
SHANGHAI	CHINA	Brit. str.	1 m.	Y. Kibuchi	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	To-morrow, at 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI	CHINA	Brit. str.	1 m.	G. H. Pennfather	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 22nd inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	CHINA	Brit. str.	1 m.	J. W. Evans	DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.	To-morrow, at 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI	CHINA	Brit. str.	1 m.	Fassmore	DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.	On 20th inst., at Noon.
SHANGHAI	CHINA	Brit. str.	1 m.	J. S. Roach	DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.	On 23rd inst., at Noon.
SHANGHAI	CHINA	Brit. str.	1 m.	G. Hooker	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 21st inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	CHINA	Brit. str.	1 m.	E. W. Almond	SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.	To-day, at Noon.
SHANGHAI	CHINA	Brit. str.	1 m.	A. W. Outerbridge	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 20th inst., at 8 P.M.
SHANGHAI	CHINA	Brit. str.	1 m.	P. H. Royle	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 23rd inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	CHINA	Brit. str.	1 m.	S. J. Penn	SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.	On 27th inst., at 3 P.M.
SHANGHAI	CHINA	Brit. str.	1 m.	A. Somerville	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 30th inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	CHINA	Brit. str.	1 m.	P. Sembl	MELCHERS & Co.	Beginning of May.
SHANGHAI	CHINA	Brit. str.	1 m.	Soyeda	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 25th inst.
SHANGHAI	CHINA	Brit. str.	1 m.	G. F. Hudson	DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd.	On 20th inst., at Noon.
SHANGHAI	CHINA	Brit. str.	1 m.	P. J. van Emmerick	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 25th inst., at Noon.

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SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	"DERFFLINGER"	About Wed. day, 21st April.
MANILA, YAP, NEW GUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"PRINZ SIGISMUND"	Thursday, 22nd April, at 5 P.M.
KUDAT & SANDAKAN	"BORNEO"	Beginning of May.

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Hongkong, 14th April, 1909.

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Steamer.	Tons.	Captain.	Sailing Date.
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Hongkong, 3rd April, 1909.

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	"OCEANIAN"	On 26th April, P.M.
MARSEILLES VIA PORTS	"ERNEST SIMONS"	On 27th April, 1 P.M.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	"POLYNESIE"	On 10th May, P.M.
MARSEILLES VIA PORTS	"TONKIN"	On 11th May, 1 P.M.

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"EMPEROR OF INDIA" Sun., 23rd May.	"ALLAN LINER" Friday, 9th July.
"EMPEROR OF JAPAN" Sun., 13th June.	"EMPEROR OF IRELAND" Fri., 30th July.
"EMPEROR OF CHINA" Sat., 3rd July.	

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Hongkong, 5th April, 1909. [1]



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LETTERS OF QUEEN
VICTORIA.

Her recently delivered a most interesting and instructive letter on "The Letters of Queen Victoria," by the late Queen Victoria's private secretary, which we take from the columns of the Times.

This is the account Queen Victoria gives of a day of her life. As I have said, I am allowed to quote by permission of His Majesty the King.

"Thursday, 21st February, 1853. I awoke at 7 and got up at 8. At 10 we breakfasted. At 11 past 9 came the Dean till 11 past 11. At 10 minutes to 12 we went to pay a visit to Aunt Gloucester. At 1 past 1 we lunch. At 2 came the Duchess of Northumberland. At 3 came Mr. Steward till 4. At 4 came Mrs. Bourdoin till 5 past 4. At 5 we dined. At 5 past 5 we went to the play to Drury Lane, with Jane, Victoria and Leighton as usual. It was *The Sleeping Beauty* or *La Belle au Bois Dormant*, for we came at the end of *Don Juan*. The *Sleeping Beauty* is a very pretty ballet, in three acts, but it would take me too much time to enumerate. The principal characters were Princess Leont, Mlle. Davernay, who is a very nice person; she has a very fine figure and dances beautifully, so quietly and so gracefully, somewhat in the style of Taglioni. She appeared in three different dresses but in my opinion she looked best when she danced in the Dance of the Natasas as the Spirit of the Dance. We came home at 1. I was soon in bed and asleep.

The writer was 13 years old. For five years this diary record continues, and we have a simple and extraordinarily graphic picture of a young girl, whose high destiny was but late revealed to her enjoying the theatre and fine music with passion, galloping about on her pony, reading history with the Dean of Chelms, washing her pet dog, and making short abstracts of the sermon on Sunday.

RECOLLECTIONS OF THE OPERA.

Here is another typical passage:

Tuesday, July 4, 1855.—I awoke at seven and got up at eight. At nine we breakfasted. At half past nine we walked out till a quarter past ten. At eleven came the Dean till twelve. At twelve came Mr. Westall till one. At one we lunch. The Duchess of Northumberland was present at the first lesson. At half past two I sat to Mr. Allen till half past three. At a quarter to four came the Dean till a quarter past four. At five we went out with Leighton and came home at six. At a quarter to seven we dined. Lady Theresa dined here. At eight we went to the opera with Lady Theresa and Leighton. It was the *da Puritani*. Gristi was perfect voice, and sang and acted beautifully, but I must say, that she shows her many faults in her face, and she is certainly much thinner than when she arrived. It is a great pity, too, that she now wears her front hair a much lower than she did. It is no improvement to her appearance, though (do what she may) spoil her face she never can, it is too lovely for that. And besides, she forgot to change her dress when she came on to sing the Polaca. In general she comes on to sing that, a bride, attired in a white satin dress with wreath of white roses round her head; instead of which, she remained in her first dress (likewise very pretty) of blue satin with a little sort of handkerchief at the back of her head. Lilloche, Tamburini, and Rubini were also all three in high good voice. "The exquisite quartet, 'A la o a o a o' and the lovely Polaca 'son vergin verezza' were both encored, as was also the splendid duet, 'Il l'alva.' After the opera was over, Gristi, Rubini, Lablache, and Tamburini came out and we loudly applauded. The last two always make a separate bow to our box, which is very pleasing to see. We came away immediately after the opera was over. The ballet is not worth seeing since Lilloche de la Danse has been back to Paris again. She appeared for the last time on Saturday, the 4th of this month. We came home at ten minutes to twelve. I was highly amused and pleased. We came in while Tamburini was singing himsing, which is just before the lovely duet between Gristi and Lablache.

Suddenly this young girl was awakened out of sleep, and found an Arabid kneeling at her slippers, feet, and kissing her Queen. The passage is well known, and is published in the correspondence.

I was awake at six o'clock by mamma, who told me that the Archbishop of Canterbury and Lord Conyngham were here and wished to see me. I got out of bed, and went into my sitting-room (only in my dressing-gown) and alone, and saw them.

THE GIRL QUEEN.

Then again, writing the account of this, to her, most wonderful day, she says:

At nine came Lord Melbourne, whom I saw in my room, and of course, quite alone, as I shall always do all my Ministers. He kissed my hand, and I then acquainted him that it had long been my intention to retain him and the rest of the present Ministry at the head of affairs, and that it could not be in better hands than his. He again then kissed my hand.

The Queen was 18 years and 3 weeks old. There had been potent forces at work moulding her character, and preparing her for this supreme moment. Three weeks before she writes in her unpublished journal:

Wednesday, May 24.—To-day is my 18th birthday! How old! And yet how far am I from being what I should be. I shall from this day take the firm resolution to study with renewed assiduity, to keep my attention always well fixed on whatever I am about, and to strive to become every day less trifling and more fit for what, if Heaven wills it, I must one day be!

Here is another extract.

Thursday, June 15.—Got up at eight. After nine we breakfasted. The children played in the room. At ten Mary, dear Leighton, and I drove out and came home at ten minutes to eleven. Wrote! The news of the King are so very bad that all my lessons are the same. I am put off, including Lablache's, Mrs. Anderson's, Guazman's, &c., &c., and we are nobly. I regret rather my singing-lesson, though it is only for a short period, but duty and proper feeling go before all pleasures. Ten minutes to one.

I just hear that the doctors think my poor uncle the King cannot last more than forty-eight hours! Poor man! he was always kind to me, and he meant I well I know. I am grateful for it, and shall ever remember his kindness with gratitude. He was old, very old and singular, but his intentions were often ill-interpreted.

Wrote my journal. At about a quarter past two came Lord Liverpool, and I had a highly important conversation with him alone.

And yet another:

Friday, June 16.—Wrote to Uncle Leopold. At a quarter to two came Stockmar, and stayed till three. Had a long and important conversation with him.

Her uncle Leopold of Belgium and his trusted embassy, Stockmar, had spoken very privately, but very gravely to her, and with due observance to the Powers of Heaven, but to none other, she was ready to take up the burden of kingship, and with her Minister to govern her kingdom.

AFTER HER ACCESSION.

Two days after her accession the journals strike a more girlish note:

Saturday, June 24.—Saw Lord John Russell. Wrote. I really have immensely to do; I receive so many communications from my Ministers, but I like it very much.

Three days later the young Queen writes with evident and confirmed delight:

Tuesday, June 27.—Got up at half-past eight. At quarter to ten we breakfasted. The children played in the room. Wrote my journal. At about twenty minutes past eleven came Lord Melbourne, and stayed till half-past twelve.

A little after half-past twelve came Lord Palmerston, and stayed till a little past one. He is a clever and agreeable man. Saw Lord John Russell and Lord Melbourne for a minute. At a few minutes past two I went down into the saloon with Lady Lansdowne, Colonel Cavendish, the Vice-Chamberlain (Lord Charles Fitzroy) and the Comptroller of the Household (Mr. Bryn) were in waiting. Lord Melbourne then came in, and announced that the addresses from the House of Commons were ready to come in. They were read by Lord John Russell, and I read an answer to them both. Lord Melbourne stood on my left hand and Lady Lansdowne behind me. Most of the Privy Counsellors of the House of Commons were present. The Earl of Derby, who is just returned from St. Petersburg. I conferred on him the Grand Cross of the Bath. I knighted him with the Sword of State, which is so enormously heavy that Lord Melbourne was obliged to hold it for me, and I only motioned it, then put the Ribbon over his shoulder. After this the foreign Ambassadors and Ministers were severally introduced to me by Lord Palmerston. I then went upstairs, and gave audiences to the Earl of Mulgrave and to the Earl of Darlington. The latter gave a long account of Russia.

Did various things. Saw Stockmar. As I did not feel well I did not come down to dinner, but dined upstairs. I went down after dinner. Stayed up till ten. I wore the blue Ribbon and Star of the Garter in the afternoon.

THE BED-CHAMBER PLOT.

The correspondence of Queen Victoria illustrates in a striking manner the working of our curious system of constitutional checks and balances. It shows the death of Mr. Pitt in 1806, it is well known that the power and influence of the Crown began to decline, and when the Queen came to the Throne in 1837 no one could have realised that within two years Sir Robert Peel, of all men, a spirit so proud and cold, would find himself saying to a young girl not yet 2 years old, "that he had consulted with those who were to have been his colleagues, and that they agreed... that unless there was some demonstration of confidence, they could not undertake to govern the country." The Queen was a mere child, and those were grave men. Imagine the irony of the situation; and yet it is a material factor in the history of our country. The Queen in later years used to speak of the episode of 1839, the Bed-chamber Plot, as was called her well-known refusal to part with her Whig ladies, when Sir Robert Peel tried to form a Tory Government, and she used to say that although she knew she had acted wrongly, she had never been able to determine what, under the circumstances, would have been the right course to take. The Queen's action, the action of this young girl, resulted in the return of Lord Melbourne to office, so seriously was the power of the Crown directly and effectively exercised by a youthful and female Sovereign. Possibly her youth and sex accounted somewhat for the result.

Here is the Queen's description of the matter:

When to my utter astonishment he asked me to change my Ladies—my principal Ladies—this I of course refused; and he upon this resigned, saying, as he felt he should be best the very first night upon the Speaker, and having to begin with a minority, that unless he had this demonstration of my confidence he could not go on! You will easily imagine that I firmly resisted this attack upon my power, for these people who pride themselves upon upholding the prerogative! I acted quite alone, but I have been, and shall be, supported by my country.

MR. GLADSTONE AND THE SOVEREIGN.

I do not choose Lord Melbourne to bar witness to the character of Queen Victoria, or the uses of the Crown, for Lord Melbourne was too much under the charm of the young girl, whose early steps, she herself has told us, he guided, and whom he cherished, if the word is permissible, as a father might a daughter. He could never quite forget the figure of the girl-Queen, stepping, as it were, from innocent sleep, with bare feet and dazed eyes, upon the slippery steps of her Throne.

I do not choose Lord Beaconsfield, for just as the imagination of the author of "A Letter to a Regicide Poet" was influenced by a glimpse of the French Queen, Mary Stuart, so was the imagination of the author of "Tancred" fired in 1877 by the Empress-Queen, of whom forty years before he had written, "We will acknowledge the Empress of India as our Suzerain, and secure for her the Levantine Coast. If she likes, she shall have Alexandria as she now has Malta; it could be arranged. Your Queen is young; she has an air." Never was there a more curious example of a statesman who "wrought in brave old age what youth had planned."

I choose Mr. Gladstone because he was a Minister of Crown for three years before Queen Victoria ascended the Throne, and his death preceded hers by less than three years; because his long life coincided with hers, and because, as is well known, there was no great sympathy at any time between what has been so dutifully called the Queen's fixity of nature and Mr. Gladstone's eager, mobile, versatile range.

On one occasion, at the most tragic moment of the Queen's life, in December, 1861, it is true, that for a short while these two antagonistic temperaments came into close harmony. Of the vast number of letters of condolence received by the Queen on the death of the Prince, all of which were carefully preserved, she must have conceived some preference for Mr. Gladstone's, as it is noteworthy that he was the only writer who received a reply begging him to write again. But this was a mere flash. If Mr. Gladstone idealised the Throne as an institution, and if he recognised the Queen's sincerity, frankness, and love of truth, his judgment may have been somewhat unwisely influenced by intimate association with the Sovereign.

THE THRONE AS AN INSTITUTION.

His biographer suggests that Mr. Gladstone was deeply moved by his sense of chivalry and his sense of an august tradition, and I would not venture to disagree, but I feel confident that Mr. Gladstone was also largely influenced by his long ministerial experience and his intimate knowledge of the inner workings of the Constitution. If that is true, and if Mr. Gladstone's judgment was based on fact and experience, it is justified by much of what has been revealed in the published correspondence of Queen Victoria.

But there is even stronger proof at present unrevealed, for it was after 1861, when the published correspondence shows, that, owing to the responsibilities of high office and personal intercourse, he obtained a deeper knowledge of the inner workings of the Monarchical system under our institutions, and a firmer basis for his reasoned opinions. The story, however, as it is unfolded to the reader of the Queen's Letters, illustrates clearly Mr. Gladstone's so-called "idealism," and explains his point of view. Only a very few instances can be quoted. These do not show—and this is a cardinal point—initiation by the Sovereign in foreign policy or attempts to divert into some special political channel the course of public events. There are no signs of doctrinaire statecraft, or claims to authority or privilege. They do, however, illustrate, in clear and unmistakable fashion, the most important attributes, the retarding and arresting action of the Crown.

HATRED OF WAR.

It was largely due to the portentious support given by the Queen to those members of the Cabinet who in 1850 favoured peace that England was not dragged by Lord Palmerston, and Lord John Russell into the contest between Prussia and Denmark. It was an occasion when the sentiment of the country and the policy of a powerful Minister came into conflict, and no one, reading the inner history of that conflict of opinion, can doubt that the peaceful issue was largely determined by the action of the Queen. The non-intervention of Great Britain in 1850 was largely due to the joint endeavour of the Queen and the Prince Consort; and later on, it was the infinite credit of the Queen that, at a moment of national heat and excitement, this country was saved from the crime of a war with the United States. The proofs of these statements are to be found in the volumes of the Queen's Correspondence.

We are not concerned, however, with the merits of these bygone controversies. The question as to which policy was right may still be argued. But were concerned with the illustration afforded by the Queen of the effect of throwing the whole weight of the indirect influence of the Crown into the scale of peace. Had she acted otherwise the result would have been to cast doubt upon the institution of Monarchy, and possibly, at some period, to have jeopardised the Crown.

QUEEN'S "ONLY SERIOUS ERROR."

Perhaps the only serious error made by the Queen was her seclusion during the long period from 1861 to 1874—when she allowed her deep feelings as a woman to prevail against the claims made upon her as Head of the State. But these claims were of the lesser kind, and so far as the claims made during those years in a degree which will only be fully realised if it should be possible to publish a further selection of her correspondence during that period. She displayed none of the graver faults of the greatest of her predecessors on the Throne. Although often treated with ingratitude she never showed the resentment of Elizabeth. The cold indifference characteristic of William III. was foreign to her nature. Although she resembled in many ways her grandfather, George III., she could have been relied upon not to misunderstand the American Colonies.

It is necessary to speak of her private life—it was so bound up with her public life—and upon the connection between these her influence over her people mainly rested. At this point, owing to his Majesty the King's gracious permission to quote from her Journals, the Queen has spoken and can speak for herself. I have known of no better way to bring home to you the deep underlying truth about Queen Victoria than to quote her own words at different and characteristic periods of her life.

MOURNING SMOKE AND ROYALTY.

But the aroma of the schoolroom was about her still. Here is her Journal for Monday, April 2, 1838:

I said to Lord Melbourne I was so stupid that I must beg him to explain to me about Sir William Follett again; he answered very kindly. It is not stupid, but I dare say you can't understand it; and he explained it to me like a kind father would do to his child; he has something of a fatherly, and so after that I was in his hands and must love him. A week later the Queen writes describing one of many evenings spent with her Prime Minister at Buckingham Palace.

Sunday, April 8.—Lord Melbourne looked over one of the Volumes (the 6th) of a work called "Gallery of Portraits"; there are portraits of all sorts of famous people in it, with short Memoirs of them attached to them. Lord Melbourne looked carefully over each reading the accounts of the people and admiring the prints. I said to him, "I have written down all the clever observations he made about it. It is quite a delight for me to hear him speak about all these things; he has such stores of knowledge; such a wonderful memory; he knows about everybody and everything; who they were, and what they did and he imparts all his knowledge in such a kind and agreeable manner; it does me a world of good; and his conversation always improves me greatly."

I shall just name a few of the people he observed upon: Rayleigh, who was a great scholar; an infant schoolmaster; he had been tutor to one of the Barons of Devonshire, he said; Knox: Lord Melbourne observed that those Scotch Reformers were very violent people; but that Knox denied having been so harsh to Mary Queen of Scots as she said he had been; Lord Mansfield; Malanction, whose name means Black Earth in Greek, and whose head he admired; Pitt, whose print Lord Melbourne said was very like; he died in 1806, when I came into Parliament. He (Ld. M.) came in for Leicestershire. Wesley, Lord Melbourne said, the greatest number of Dissenters were Wesleyans; he read from the book that there were (at his death) 135,000 of his followers; Porson, Lord Melbourne said: "I knew him; he was a great Greek scholar," and, looking at the print, "it's very like him."

A week later, a great German philosopher, and a correspondent of Queen Caroline, wife to George II.; spoke of her being so learned, and her whole heart, too; the Prince laughed at it very much. "I wish, ridiculing the Maiden Honour, wrote: "Since they talk to Dr. Clark, they now venture in the Dark." Addison, Lord Melbourne admires his "Spectator," his "Cato" he also admires, but says it's not like a Roman tragedy; "there is so much love in it." Addison died at Holland House; he disagreed very much with his wife, Lady Warwick. Holland House was built, he said, by Rich. Lord Holland in the reign of Charles I. Madame de Staël, whose print he thought very like. "She had good eyes, she was very vain of her arms." She was over 100 in 1755, and died in 1797, aged 51; she had lived very much; Lord Melbourne also knew her daughter, the Duchesse de Broglie; he said "Louis Philippe dined here as much as Napoleon did her Mother." Lord Melbourne saw Madame de Broglie for a moment when he was at Paris for the last time in 1825. He read from the book, and with great emphasis, the following passage, what Napoleon said of Madame de Staël: "They pretend that she neither talks politics nor mentions me; but I know not how it happens that people seem to like me less after visiting her." Queen Elizabeth; spoke of her, and that her Mother must have been very handsome, &c.

A RIDE TO RICHMOND.

Spoke of pictures; Lord Melbourne does not admire Murillo much, nor Rubens; he so greatly prefers the Italian masters to any others; spoke of subjects for painting; of the Holy Family being constantly painted. "After all," he said, "a woman and a child is the most beautiful subject one can have."

Then she adds:

It was a most delightful evening. There is nothing very remarkable in those utterances of Lord Melbourne. The interesting aspect of them in the circumstances in which they were delivered. The normal evenings were spent in this fashion, following after mornings consumed in reading despatches, and in signing her name, to be succeeded by afternoons occupied in riding through the streets and through the crowds that waited daily at Hyde Park Corner to see the Queen.

At half past twelve I rode out with Lord Conyngham, Lord Uxbridge, Lord Byron, Lady Mary, Lord Leichen, Miss Cavendish, Miss Quistain, Sir F. Stovin, and Colonel Cavendish, and came home at half-past three, having ridden twenty-two miles. I wore a very hard and Tartar went most delightfully, never was there such a dear horse. We rode to Richmond through part of the Richmond Park, out at Room Hood Gate, and came over Wimbledon Common and Vauxhall Bridge. It was as hot as summer, and going I thought I should have melted; coming over Wimbledon Common there was some delicious air. It was a heavenly day. At six minutes past four came Lord Melbourne and stayed with me till twenty minutes to five. He seemed well. Spoke a good deal of my ride. Two more extracts from these early journals and I have done:

ROYAL DINNER PARTY.

1838. Wednesday, July 25.—Wrote my Journal. At a quarter to eight I went into the Throne-room with my ladies and gentlemen and Peo and Mamma, where I found the Duchess of Gloucester, the Duke of Sussex, the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge, and Augusta and George. After waiting a little while we went into the green drawing-room, which looked very handsome lit up, and was full of people all in uniform. I submit an account of all the arrangements, and all the people. After remaining for about five minutes in that room, talking to several people, amongst others to good Lord Melbourne, we went into dinner, which was served in the gallery, and looked, I must say, most brilliant and beautiful. We sat down 105, and might have been more. The display of plate at one end of the room was really very handsome. I sat between Uncle Sussex and Prince Esterhazy. The music was in a small orchestra in the saloon, and sounded extremely well. Uncle Sussex seemed in very good spirits, and Esterhazy in high force, and full of fun, and talking so loud. I drank a glass of stein-wine with Lord Melbourne, who sat a good way down on my left between the Duke of Devonshire and Lord Holland. After dinner we went into the Yellow Drawing-Room. Princess Schwartzenberg looked very pretty but tired; and Mme. Zavadovsky beautiful and so sweet and placid. About 20 min. after we ladies came in, the gentlemen joined us. I spoke to almost everybody; Lord Grey looked well; the Duke of Wellington, ill, but cheerful and in good spirits. I spoke for some time also to Lord Melbourne who thought the Gallery looked very handsome and that the whole "did very well"; "I don't see how it could be better," he said. He admired the large diadem I had on.

At about eleven came some people who (as the Gallery was full of dinner, &c.) were obliged to come through the Closet and of whom I annex a list. Lady Clarinda I did not think looked very well. Lady Ashley, Lady Fanny, Lady Willehelmine, and Lady Maria. I looked extremely pretty. Strauss played delightfully the whole evening in the Saloon. After staying a little while in the Saloon, we went and sat down in the further Drawing Room, next to the Dining Room. I sat on a sofa between Princess Schwartzenberg and Mme. Stroganoff; Lord Melbourne sitting next Mme. Stroganoff, and in a little while Esterhazy near him, and Furstenburg (who talked amazingly to Lord Melbourne, and made us laugh a good deal) behind him. The Duchess of Sutherland and the Duchess of Northampton sat near Princess Schwartzenberg and a good many of the other Ambassadors and Ambassadors were seated near them. The Duchess of Cambridge and Mamma, &c., &c., were opposite to us; and all the others in different parts of the room. Several gentlemen, foreigners, came up behind the sofa, to speak to me. We talked and laughed a good deal together. I stayed up till 1 1/2 to 1. It was a successful evening.

The language was very simple, but Mary's famous description of a scene in Whitehall is not more vivid.

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